

Remarks

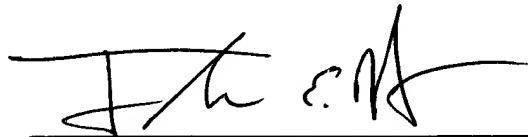
Claims 22 and 23 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the underlying subject matter. Claim 24 has been amended to rewrite the claim in independent format. Following entry of the foregoing amendment claims 10 and 20-21 and 24-25 will be pending in the application. Support for the amended claims may be found throughout the specification and in the original claims. No new matter is added by these amendments.

The present Amendment clarifies issues on appeal and does not present new matter. Further, it is submitted that the present Amendment does not raise new issues requiring further search and consideration by the Examiner. As such, entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that the present Amendment is in proper condition for entry in this application. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned should any additional information be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,



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